

Flights from Hyderabad to Delhi

4110. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have any plan to increase the number of flights from Hyderabad to Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government are aware that the IC flights of this sector are not accommodating the passengers-; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV):

- (a) and (b) At present Indian Airlines operates 14 flights in a week and Jet Airways 7 flights in a week on Delhi-Hyderabad-Delhi route.

Airlines are free to operate on any route in their commercial judgement subject of course to compliance with the Route Dispersal Guidelines which provide for certain minimum operations in specified category of routes.

- (c) and (d) No, Sir. Indian Airlines is offering 'a total of about 410 seats daily both ways in each direction on the said route and the average seat factor during the last 6 months has been around 74%. As such, the current capacity offered by IA is considered sufficient to meet the existing passenger demand and therefore, IA has, at present, no plans to increase the number of flight from Hyderabad to Delhi.

Permission to International Airlines to fly from Bangalore

4111. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the international airlines which have approached Government for permission to fly from Bangalore;
- (b) what is the estimated number of international passengers to fly from Bangalore Airport; and